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In re Application of:

Ramkumar

Serial No. 10/074,884

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INCLUDING A THIN OXIDE-NITRIDE STACK AND METHOD FOR MAKING

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed June 29, 2004 to further highlight reasons why the application is in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.